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Outpatient
Hospital
Providers

Speech and
Hearing Clinics

HMOs and Other
Managed Care
Programs

Claims Submission Reminders for Speech and Hearing Clinics

Speech and hearing clinics that are located within a hospital are reminded to use their clinic billing provider number and the 837 Health Care Claim: Professional transaction or CMS 1500 paper claim form when submitting a claim to Wisconsin Medicaid for any service.

Using the correct transaction or paper claim form allows providers to receive the correct reimbursement for Medicaid-covered services, including hearing aids. Providers who are incorrectly using the 837 Health Care Claim: Institutional transaction or UB-92 paper claim form are being reimbursed at an all-inclusive rate per visit. These providers are not receiving the contracted purchase rate when a hearing aid is dispensed.

Information Regarding Medicaid HMOs

This *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* contains Medicaid fee-for-service

policy and applies to providers of services to recipients on fee-for-service Medicaid only. For Medicaid HMO or managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. Wisconsin Medicaid HMOs are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

The *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Although the *Update* refers to Medicaid recipients, all information applies to BadgerCare recipients also.

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare are administered by the Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, P.O. Box 309, Madison, WI 53701-0309.

For questions, call Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883 or visit our Web site at dhfs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/.

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